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REMARKS

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the Examiner for taking time on August 18, 2006, to initiate a telephone conference with Applicant's representative. During the interview, the Examiner indicated his concern for the wording of the first limitation of claim 26 and suggested that it be worded similar to that of claim 38. Upon further review, Applicant also considers that minor changes are appropriate for claims 20 and 38, as indicated in the above claim amendments.

In a second telephone interview dated August 29, 2006, the Examiner indicated that the version of the claims presented herein, previously sent to the Examiner as a draft for comments, were acceptable to the Examiner.

Applicant also wishes to correct the following two paragraphs on page 13 of the Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.116, filed on July 21, 2006, to correct the typographical errors for the identification of RNC A', rather than RNC A, for the second RNC:

According to Siemens, for instance, "~~RNC A~~", which "RNC A'", which corresponds to "said second RNC" of the claimed invention, initializes MGW-A, which corresponds to the "switching node" of the present invention (see "10. INIT" in Figure 6 of Siemens). Also, MGW-A sends "12. INIT ACK or MODEIND (RFCI map-A)" to ~~RNC A~~ RNC A' in response to "10. INIT".

When a "switching node" such as an MSC inquires "of said second RNC" about whether compression coding information on a side of said mobile terminal can be changed so that said transcoder can be bypassed", it can switch to a transcoder-free mode with a high possibility, because it has known compression coding information so far. Therefore, the present invention decreases a probability that it has to re-initialize again and again, as shown in Page 8 of Siemens ("If the RFCI mapping from ~~RNC A~~ RNC A' doesn't match to the one from RNC-A, re-initialization will be necessary.")

FORMAL MATTERS AND CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that claims 20-31 and 38, all the claims presently pending in the application, are patentably distinct over the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the above application to issue at the earliest possible time.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance,

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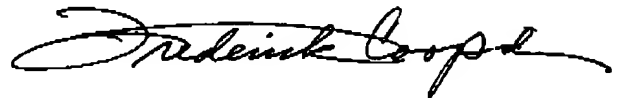
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the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATION OF TRANSMISSION

I certify that I transmitted via facsimile to (571) 273-8300 this Supplemental Amendment under 37 CFR §1.116 to Examiner S. Sing on August 29, 2006.



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